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- (b) Construction requirements for plywood drums are as follows:
- (1) The wood used must be well-seasoned, commercially dry and free from any defect likely to lessen the effectiveness of the drum for the purpose intended. A material other than plywood, of at least equivalent strength and durability, may be used for the manufacture of the heads.
- (2) At least two-ply plywood must be used for the body and at least three-ply plywood for the heads; the plies must be firmly glued together, with their grains crosswise.
- (3) The body and heads of the drum and their joints must be of a design appropriate to the capacity of the drum and its intended use.
- (4) In order to prevent sifting of the contents, lids must be lined with kraft paper or some other equivalent material which must be securely fastened to the lid and extend to the outside along its full circumference.
- (5) Maximum capacity of drum: 250 L (66 gallons).
- (6) Maximum net mass: 400 kg (882 pounds).

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§178.508 Standards for fiber drums.

- (a) The identification code for a fiber drum is 1G.
- (b) Construction requirements for fiber drums are as follows:
- (1) The body of the drum must be constructed of multiple plies of heavy paper or fiberboard (without corrugations) firmly glued or laminated together and may include one or more protective layers of bitumen, waxed kraft paper, metal foil, plastic material, or similar materials.
- (2) Heads must be of natural wood, fiberboard, metal, plywood, plastics, or other suitable material and may include one or more protective layers of bitumen, waxed kraft paper, metal foil, plastic material, or similar material.
- (3) The body and heads of the drum and their joints must be of a design appropriate to the capacity and intended use of the drum.
- (4) The assembled packaging must be sufficiently water-resistant so as not to delaminate under normal conditions of transport.

- (5) Maximum capacity of drum: 450 L (119 gallons).
- (6) Maximum net mass: 400 kg (882 pounds).

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§178.509 Standards for plastic drums and jerricans.

- (a) The following are identification codes for plastic drums and jerricans:
- (1) 1H1 for a non-removable head plastic drum;
- (2) 1H2 for a removable head plastic drum;
- (3) 3H1 for a non-removable head jerrican; and
- (4) 3H2 for a removable head jerrican.
- (b) Construction requirements for plastic drums and jerricans are as follows:
- (1) The packaging must be manufactured from suitable plastic material and be of adequate strength in relation to its capacity and intended use. No used material other than production residues or regrind from the same manufacturing process may be used unless approved by the Associate Administrator. The packaging must be adequately resistant to aging and to degradation caused either by the substance contained or by ultra-violet radiation. Any permeation of the substance contained may not constitute a danger under normal conditions of transport.
- (2) If protection against ultra-violet radiation is required, it must be provided by the addition of carbon black or other suitable pigments or inhibitors. These additives must be compatible with the contents and remain effective throughout the life of the packaging. Where use is made of carbon black, pigments or inhibitors other than those used in the manufacture of the design type, retesting may be omitted if the carbon black content does not exceed 2 percent by mass or if the pigment content does not exceed 3 percent by mass; the content of inhibitors of ultra-violet radiation is not limited.
- (3) Additives serving purposes other than protection against ultra-violet radiation may be included in the composition of the plastic material provided they do not adversely affect the